

Junior Site Bites



**Term 1
Week 8**
29 March 2019



Dates to remember:
[Calendar](#)

- **2 & 3 Apr** – 3 Way Conferences
- **9 Apr** – Cross Country Carnival
- **11 Apr** – P & C Disco

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For the last two days, Angela Spence, Sam Beattie and I have engaged in 'The Leading Edge; Leaders and students at the edge of their learning' conference, organised by the ACT Directorate. Our Senior Leadership Team have spent the time reflecting on our School Improvement journey and how we are being future focussed for our students. It was great affirmation that as an International Baccalaureate school, we are well equipped to support our students and staff into the future.



On Monday this week we officially opened our school oval! We welcomed Minister Yvette Berry, Michael Pettersson MLA and student representatives from both Gold Creek School and Holy Spirit. This has been a momentous event for our school! Although Monday was a bit cold and blustery, every student took great delight in going for a well-deserved run! A special thank you to Max and Sienna for representing our school!

A huge congratulations to the following students who have auditioned for the instrumental Music Program, and have achieved places in the following:

Chloe	Year 4	Primary Concert Choir
Jade	Year 5	Primary Concert Choir
Phong	Year 6	Primary Concert Band Thursday
Litia	Year 6	Primary Concert Choir

It is a huge achievement and we can't wait to see them all perform later this year!

As we head to the colder weather, can I remind students that hats are still required, regardless of overcast conditions. As a SunSmart school in Canberra, sun protection is required at school until the end of May. Please make sure your child's hat is labelled. Similarly, with the colder mornings, and warmer days increasing, please label all jumpers! We often end up with many unnamed jumpers, which of course, makes it tricky for students to reclaim! A reminder that all jumpers should be navy blue to meet uniform requirements.

Finally, a reminder that our Three Way Conferences occur next week. The Conference is an opportunity for students to share their strengths, areas for growth and to set learning goals with their parents and teachers.

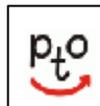
Conferences will be conducted in the classrooms on:

Tuesday 2 April

Preschool 3.00-6.00pm
Kindy-6 3.00-6.00pm

Wednesday 3 April

Preschool 8.00-8.30am & 1.30 - 6:00pm
Kindy-6 8.00-8.30am & 3.00-6.00pm



You are required to use the Parent Teacher Online (PTO) booking system to make your appointments. An email from the school has been sent outlining the relevant information. Once you have received the email, you can make a booking through our [website](#).

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Year 3 News

Year 3 have had a very busy and productive start to 2019. Following our values inquiry and cultural integrity learning, we have now started inquiring into *HOW WE EXPRESS OURSELVES*. This began on Monday with a visit to the National Gallery of Australia and the National Portrait Gallery. Our central idea is *'Through the arts, people use different forms of expression to convey their uniqueness as human beings.'* We will investigate the many ways people express themselves through the arts and consider how everyone can express their uniqueness through the arts. We will also think about the role of art in culture and society. The concepts driving our inquiry are function and perspective. Perspective means considering various points of view (about the arts or artworks) and function is concerned with how things work. In this case, we'll consider the role and purpose of the arts.

We hope you like seeing some photos of our excursion on Monday. You will probably guess that Year 3 had a great time outdoors in the Sculpture Garden during lunch, as well as indoors at the galleries! Thank you so much to the parents who supported us by spending the day with us. We really appreciate it.

Megan Mears, Edward McCallum, Sophia Prestipino, Sally Stedman and Julie Pickering

Year 3 Classroom teachers



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Principal Awards – Week 8

KA Mikaella M Jillianne C	KB Ellie L Harry S	KC Kailey A Madden R	KD Nguen C Dipak P
KE Kaihautu E Dana H	1A Lola N Jayden M-S	1B Chloe O Payton E	1C Joel H Asher G
1D Grace Mc Abeera A	1E Ryda W-L Ciana B	2A Georgia S-P Alex E Claudia B	2B Kobi S Rayyan Q
2C Alex W Rhys A	2D Sophia B Lucy D	2E Hannah N James L	

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•	• Wk 9 Languages/EALD	•
•	• Wk 10 Whole School ANZAC Assembly	•
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DEFENCE NEWS



2019 ANZAC Day Commemorative Assembly

There will be a K-10 Whole School ANZAC Day assembly at the Senior Site gymnasium, Week 10 Friday 12th April 2019.

APP – ANZAC 360

The Department of Veterans Affairs have released an App called 'ANZAC 360'. This a free app and available from the Apple App Store, and Google play if you have an android device.



ANZAC 360 12+
Australian Government, Department of Veterans' Affairs
★★★★☆ 3.5, 6 Ratings
Free

To quote the pamphlet 'ANZAC 360 The Australian Remembrance Trail uses Virtual Reality technology and stunning 360-degree Drone footage brings the Australian Remembrance Trail to life in the ANZAC 360 APP'.

THANK YOU



A BIG thank you to the generosity of Tania and Theo at ACT Recycling (a locally owned and operated business) who dropped off a large skip bin for free so that we could collect scrap metal across our three school campuses.

We are proud to say that the scrap metal will be sent off for recycling instead of going to landfill.

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Feedback requested – Active Streets

The Active Streets for Schools program is an infrastructure program – supported by educational resources – to make it safer and easier for children to walk or ride to school. Gold Creek School will be supported by the program over the next four years.

Active Streets helps to make school environments safer and more accessible by providing a range of tailored solutions depending on the school and local environment. Improvements may include new or improved footpath connections, more dedicated crossings or traffic calming (e.g. speed humps) to ensure the trip is safe and easy for children to navigate.

To commence the program, Transport Canberra and City Services (TCCS) would like to discover how children currently travel to and from school and find out where you think improvements can be made around the suburb and the school.

TCCS have set up a [survey](#) to gather this information. All the information collected will be de-identified and confidential. The final survey question asks about the type of infrastructure improvements our community would like considered through the program. To complete this question, you can either:

- Provide an explanation in the text field in the survey, or
- Drop a pin on our [Ride or Walk to School map](#) and provide a comment

To drop a pin on the map, you will need to be signed in to a Google account, which is as simple as signing up if you don't already have one. More information about setting up an account and dropping a pin on the map is available in [these instructions](#).

TCCS will also welcome feedback about our Ride or Walk to School map, so please use the drop pin feature to comment on the highlighted routes. Alternatively, you can print our map, write on the map and return it to [TCCS](#).

Thanks in advance for taking the time to complete the survey. Your response will help to influence how the program is delivered to suit the Gold Creek School community.

[Complete Survey](#)

<http://bit.ly/AS-survey>



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bringing Discos back to the junior site!

When: 11 April 2019

Where: Junior site Hall

**Time: 4.30pm-5.15pm for Preschool
and Kindergarten**

5.15pm-6.15pm for years 1-3

6.15pm-7.30pm for years 4-6

**Cost: \$5 per child (includes entry,
snack, glow bracelet and a
drink)**

**Tickets on sale now
via Flexi Schools!**